

Fulbright International Science & Technology Ph.D Program for 2010

The American Center of the U.S. Embassy in Dhaka is pleased to announce the U.S. Department of State **International Fulbright Science and Technology Award** for outstanding foreign students for the fourth consecutive year, starting fall 2010. This is a worldwide program for Ph.D study at top U.S. institutions in science, technology, or engineering. For this year, approximately 40 awards will be given out worldwide for candidates who demonstrate unique aptitude and innovation in scientific fields. The award is designed to be among the most prestigious international scholarships in science and technology. Eligible fields of study include: *Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics, Engineering (electrical, chemical, civil and mechanical), Computer Sciences/Engineering, Environmental Science/Engineering, and Information Sciences/Engineering, Agriculture, Entomology, Plant Biology, Plant pathology and Soil Sciences.*

In order to be eligible, applicants must be citizens of Bangladesh and residing in the country at the time of application. They must have completed at least a four year bachelor's degree in their respective fields. Students who are already enrolled into a bachelor's or a master's program at a U.S. university are not eligible for this award. Applicants should have outstanding academic records in all secondary and post-secondary examinations.

Candidates will need to take the TOEFL iBT and GRE general test. They must have a TOEFL iBT score of 100 or higher. The applicants are expected to achieve a quantitative score of at least 700 in the GRE general test. Applicants applying in the field of Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Biochemistry and Cell and Molecular Biology will need to take the GRE subject test as well. **All standardized tests must be completed by July 18, 2009.** Prospective candidates who have valid TOEFL or GRE scores need not take the tests again. Please note standardized test fees for the nominated candidates (only) will be borne by the U.S. government.

Applicants are requested to submit the on-line application by **Monday, April 20.** The candidates will access the online application at <https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/international/>. Applicants are also requested to submit **official** academic transcripts from each post-secondary institution, attested copies of certificates, and supplemental forms (which include **three Letters of Reference**, the **Academic Records Information Form** and the **Signature form**) at the American Center, House No. 110, Road No. 27, Banani – Dhaka 1213 by the same deadline. Supplemental forms can be downloaded from the above-mentioned link. After review of applications, only short-listed candidates will be called for an interview. Two candidates will be nominated for the scholarship, and the final selection will be made by the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. All candidates will be notified of their status by October 15, 2009.

All grantees will receive tuition, a monthly stipend, health and accident insurance coverage, a book and equipment allowance, research allowance, professional conference allowance, travel support, and specially tailored enrichment activities. They will also be eligible to apply for additional research funding. Grantees will receive J-1 visa sponsorship under the Fulbright Student Program for up to five years. Grantees that are not able to secure an entry visa in accordance with their program start date may lose their fellowships.

Please feel free to contact Ms. Shaheen Khan, Cultural Affairs Specialist, at 8837150-54 at the American Center if you have any questions regarding the application procedure.